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MEDALS, TOKENS, COINS, AND BOTTLES



NEXT MEET- ING

Thursday
January 24, 2008

Please sign the log book before 7:00 p.m.
to qualify for the promptness prize:
A Silver Franklin Half Dollar

Be sure and enter for our other prizes

**We are spending \$500 for prizes
in the months of January,
February and March. We hope
to see you at the meeting.**

We will also hold a drawing for one winner of
all Junior Members in attendance. The prize
will be a "N.U.T.S. Good for \$5 Token"

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Irv Ratcliffe

Student and Collector of

YOUR PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I suppose the first thing I should do is introduce myself. For those of you who may not know me, I am a club past president, wagon master and newsletter editor. Over the last few years because of work commitments I have not been able to attend

meetings on a regular basis. I have however had the honor to serve as club historian. Recently the opportunity to hold office presented itself so I stepped up to the plate again.

To start off: our first board meeting of the year was very success-

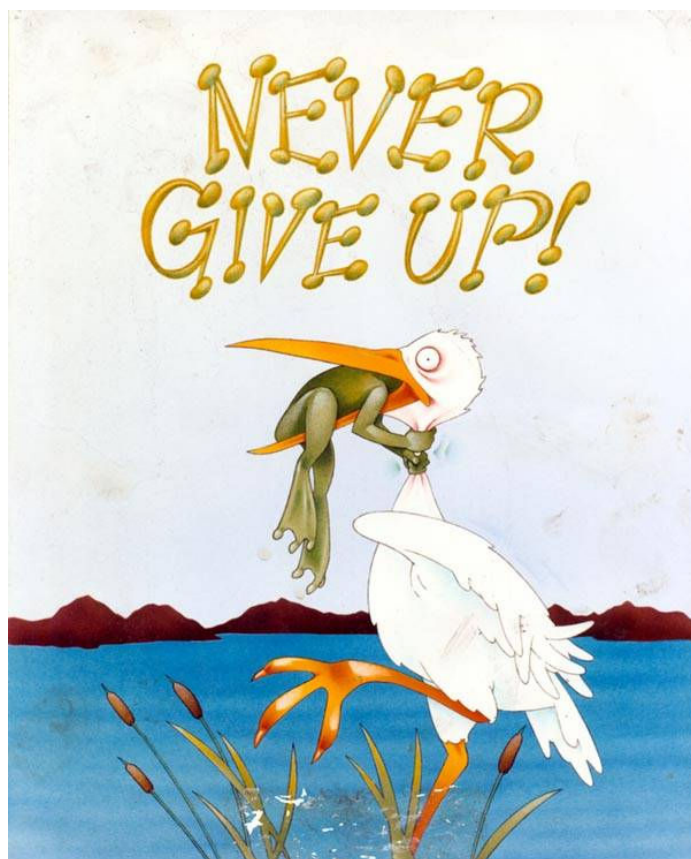
ful and we have made several changes that will make club membership more enjoyable for everyone.

First off we are going to start a membership drive. We are ready to grow the club, and to help jump start the drive, each time you bring a
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Meeting Dates for 2008

*January 24	*July 31
*February 28	*August 28 - Summer Picnic
*March 27	*September 25
*April 24	*October 23
*May 22	*November 20
*June 26	*December 18 - Christmas Party

We will also have "Find of the Month" in March through November (excluding August) **Note** that you may only submit original "finds" since the previous N.U.T.S. meeting (normally 30 days.)



WAGON MASTER

JANUARY 2008 PRIZE DRAWING

10 ea Peace silver dollars	1922's
2 ea Mt Rushmore proof set	1991 -s
1 ea Base Ball proof	1995-s
1 ea Crowther Palmer	Token ?
1 ea Helper Club g/f 1 beer	Token ?
1 ea Pastime g/f .10 cents	Token ?
1 ea Cullen Hotel & bar .12 1/2 cents	Token
1 ea key chain Plate	1968
1 ea H & A Ogden UT g/f 10 cents	Token
1 ea Try/State Aerie S.L.C.	Token
2 ea Liberty 1/2 dollar proof	1986
1 ea Elks Club Price UT	Token
1 ea Golden Gate Utah	Token
1 ea Joplin Rotary Club S. L. C.	Token 1919
1 ea Hotel Utah parking S.L.C.	Token
1 ea Hyrum Nielson Holliday UT	Token
2 ea Utah State Quarter in holders	2007
1 ea love Token on seated Quarter	Token
1 ea 1/10th GOLD	\$ 95.00

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AND A LITTLE MORE*** SEE
YA AT THE CLUB MEETING

Brian Jessop

MEDALS CHAIRMAN***We have some of our Christmas medals (the encased Utah Quarter) for purchase. The cost will be \$5.00. There will initially be a limit of one per member. If we have not sold them all by the end of our meeting, you may purchase more.***
NOTE -- It is now time to submit your medal design for the 2008 NUTS Medal. We will be voting for a winning design at the March meeting. Please submit a design as soon as you can.
Don Swain

BOTTLE CLEANING TIP -Boyd Pickering

Boyd suggested using a denture tablet to clean the bottle. I haven't been able to try this yet, but it sounds like it would be easier than what I am doing now. I wonder if you could get a bigger container and do several bottles with several tablets and then it would clean the outside also. If any of you have other methods of cleaning let us know. I am currently using fish rocks inside the bottle and then I fill it with vinegar (and shake.) Mary Farnsworth

THE CAR WASH-A REAL STORY

SUBMITTED BY TODD MONSON

Bill owns a company that manufactures and installs car wash systems. Bill's company installed a car wash system in Frederick, Md. Now, understand that these are complete systems, including the money changer and money taking machines.

The problem started when the new owner complained to Bill that he was losing significant amounts of money from his coin machines each week.

He went as far as to accuse Bill's employees of having a key to the boxes and ripping him off. Bill just couldn't believe that his people would do that, so they setup a camera to catch the thief in action. Well, they did catch him on film!



The bird had to go down into the machine, and back up inside to get to the money!



That's three quarters he has in his beak!
Another amazing thing is that it was not just one bird -- there were several working together. Once they identified the thieves, they found over \$4000 in quarters on the roof of the car wash and

more under a nearby tree.



And you thought you heard of everything by now!! !!

And to think the phrase 'bird brain' is associated with being dumb. Not these birds.



That's a bird sitting on the change slot of the machine.

- How many times does the work "token or tokens" appear in this newsletter?
- How many times does the symbol @ appear?
- Can you find the word "magic"?

"Not all who wander are lost."

~Tolkein

Your President's Message

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new potential member to a meeting you will receive a silver mercury dime.

For those of you who are joining for the first time: Where other groups are raising their dues we are reducing ours. As of January first dues will be \$10.00 for singles and \$15.00 for families. If you have already paid your dues please get in touch with our treasurer for a partial refund. Remember dues are due now!

Our meetings are going to take on a slightly different look. Each month Bob Campbell will bring us up to date on the current token scene. This will be called "Let's Talk Tokens". Every month we will have a speaker or other enjoyable program. For at least the next three months we will have \$500.00 in drawing prizes each month, and we will have a special drawing that only junior members will be eligible for. Because the meetings will be more structured than they have been in the past and we have limited time, meetings will start promptly at 7 p.m. This means the way we draw for the promptness prize will be changed. Each member will still sign the log book for attendance, but now everyone will have a tag with their name on it that they must put in the drum and then the name will be drawn from the drum at 7 p.m. sharp.

Medals Chairman Don Swain will have medals from past

years available for sale at the meetings. This may be your chance to get some of the medals that are missing from your collection. Don has also asked me to remind you that we will need a new design for the 2008 club medal. So get your designs ready.

Our wagon masters are working on outings and club hunts. We will be "ghost



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'cause we plan on lots of activities, and as the good weather gets closer there will be more information. The wagon masters are also working on a new look for the find of the month that will make the items easier to view and easier to vote on.

Next let's talk about Token Hunter. We want everyone to have the opportunity to contribute to the newsletter so any time you write an original article that appears in the Token Hunter you will receive an extra ticket for the Christmas drawing, and you will be eligible for the Edith Attebury Award. This is a traveling trophy which has the winners name engraved on it and the winner

keeps the trophy until the next year. I also want to encourage all of you to bring articles from newspapers and magazine etc. that may be of interest to our members to our editor. Beginning with the February issue of the newsletter all our members will have the option of receiving the Token Hunter by e-mail or by snail mail. I want to encourage you to go for the e-mail option as it will help keep our copying and mailing costs down and it will help keep the dues at the new lower rate.

One more thing I want you to watch for is a Treasure Hunt that will be different from what most of us are used to. It will involve a clue and a "winner take all" group of prizes. The top prize will be a \$5.00 gold piece and there will be several others that we tell you about as the time gets closer. Oh by the way, if you want to be the first to receive the clues you have to attend meetings.

Last but by no means least: Our first speaker of the year will be Irv Ratcliffe. I have known Irv for several years and he is a student and collector of Utah and L.D.S. related items. He will be speaking about Utah Territorial Fair Medals. These are very unique items that were made in gold and silver. I am sure you will enjoy his presentation.

I am looking forward making new friends and getting to know all of you.

See you at the meeting.

George Wilson

2008 N.U.T.S. MEMBERSHIP

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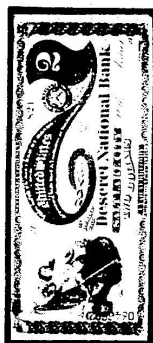
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